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**TITLE:** Method for Immersing a Substrate  
**U.S. SERIAL NO.:** 10/781,040  
**FILING DATE:** February 18, 2004  
**INVENTOR:** Lubomirsky, et al.  
**EXAMINER:** Luan V. Van  
**GROUP ART UNIT:** 1753  
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**PATENT**  
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**Serial No.: 10/781,040**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2006</b>		Application Number	10/781,040
		Filing Date	February 18, 2004
		First Named Inventor	Lubomirsky et al.
		Examiner Name	Luan V. Van
		Art Unit	1753
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	APP/M008266/PPC/PCP/CKIM
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
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Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

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Fee Description	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (Including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>		
22 -20 or HP= 2 x 50 =	100	
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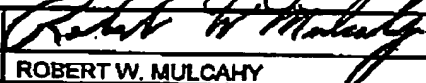
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